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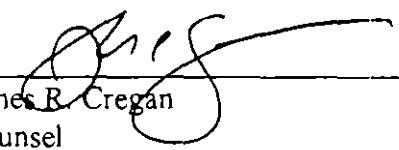
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**FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES OF
MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA
TO USPS WITNESS O'HARA
(MPA/USPS-T30-1)**

(July 31, 1997)

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice, Magazine Publishers of America hereby submits the attached interrogatory to USPS witness O'Hara (MPA/USPS-T30-1).

Respectfully submitted,


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**INTERROGATORY OF MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS OF AMERICA
TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS O'HARA**

MPA/USPS-T30-1. Please refer to Exhibit USPS-30D and Table 1 below. Table 1 shows the percentage change in revenue per piece from Test Year Before Rates to Test Year After Rates. The revenue per piece figures are from the Test Year Current Rates and Test Year Proposed Rates Cost and Revenue Analyses from Witness Patelunas's testimony (Exhibit USPS-15G, Pages 15-20 and USPS-15J, Pages 15-20).


- a. Please confirm that the percentage changes in revenue per piece by class and subclass in Table 1 are different than the proposed percentage changes in rates by class and subclass in Exhibit USPS-30D.
- b. Please explain how you developed the percent change figures shown in Exhibit USPS-30D.
- c. Please provide all calculations and underlying data for Exhibit USPS-30D.

Table 1. Percentage Change in Revenue Per Piece

Class	Subclass	Test Year Revenue Per Piece		
		Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Change
First	Single Letters/Sealed Parcels	\$0.394	\$0.404	2.54%
First	Presort Letters/Sealed Parcels	\$0.267	\$0.279	4.49%
First	Single Card	\$0.204	\$0.213	4.41%
First	Private Presort Card	\$0.161	\$0.173	7.45%
First	All	\$0.332	\$0.343	3.31%
Priority	All	\$3.545	\$3.777	6.54%
Express	All	\$12.798	\$13.412	4.80%
Periodicals	In County	\$0.089	\$0.091	2.25%
Periodicals	Nonprofit	\$0.140	\$0.157	12.14%
Periodicals	Classroom	\$0.205	\$0.215	4.88%
Periodicals	Regular Rate	\$0.225	\$0.234	4.00%
Periodicals	All	\$0.197	\$0.207	5.08%
Standard Mail A	Commercial ECR	\$0.145	\$0.149	2.76%
Standard Mail A	Commercial Regular	\$0.208	\$0.212	1.92%
Standard Mail A	Nonprofit ECR	\$0.081	\$0.075	-7.41%
Standard Mail A	Nonprofit	\$0.112	\$0.125	11.61%
Standard Mail A	All	\$0.168	\$0.175	4.17%
Standard Mail B	Parcel Post	\$3.052	\$3.331	9.14%
Standard Mail B	Bound Printed Matter	\$0.868	\$0.912	5.07%
Standard Mail B	Special	\$1.763	\$1.755	-0.45%
Standard Mail B	Library	\$1.594	\$1.821	14.24%
Standard Mail B	All	\$1.570	\$1.647	4.90%

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice.



James R. Cregan

Washington, D.C.
July 31, 1997